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Mathematics and ELA/Literacy Test Administration Workshop Grades 3-8





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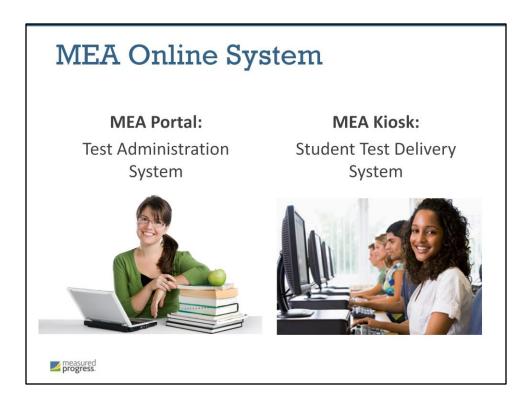
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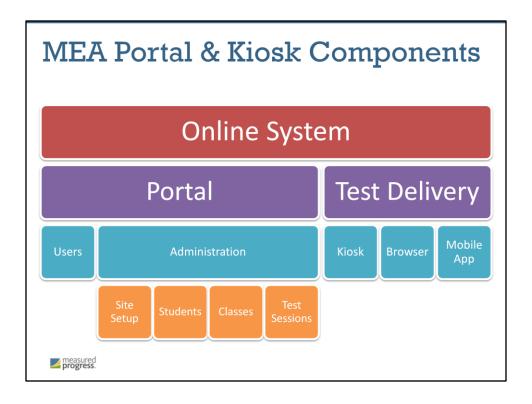
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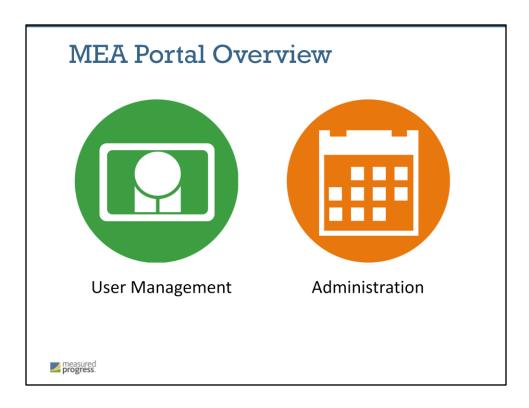


The MEA Online system is comprised of two components: The Portal, which is accessed by administrators, and the Kiosk which is accessed by students.



The portal is made up of a User Management component, as well as an Administration component. The Administration component allows users to access Site Setup information, Student Data, Class Rosters, and Test Session details.

The Test Delivery component is available via kiosk, browser, and mobile app. It should be noted that only the Sample Items and Student Tutorial are available via the test delivery browser.



MEA Portal

- Go to https://maine.measuredprogress.org
- Available February 10, 2017
- Browser Specifications:
 - Chrome [®] 55 or newer
 - Firefox [®] 49 or newer
 - Safari [®] 9 or newer
 - Internet Explorer [®] 11
 - Microsoft Edge



MEA Portal Access

- District Assessment Coordinators (DACs): usernames and passwords will be emailed to you on February 9, 2017.
- DACs must create all other users within the portal.
 - New users will receive an email from <u>maineservicecenter@measuredprogress.org</u> with a username and temporary password.



MEA Portal User Roles

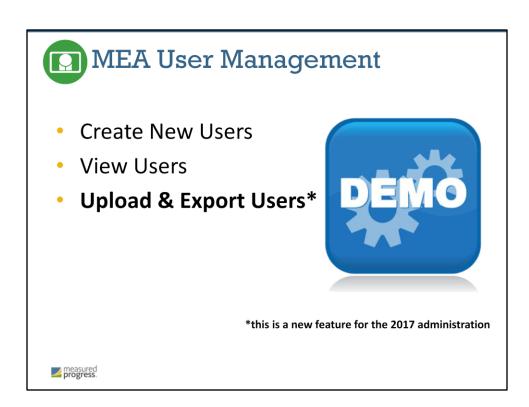
User Role	Responsibilities	
District Assessment Coordinator (DAC)	 Manage users (all roles) Assign student accommodations View classes Schedule test sessions Manage & monitor test sessions Prepare IT network for student testing 	
IT Coordinator (ITC)	 Manage users (DU, STC, TA accounts) Assign student accommodations View classes Schedule test sessions Manage & monitor test sessions Prepare IT network for student testing 	





User Role	Responsibilities
District User (DU)	View usersView studentsView classesView & monitor test sessions
School Test Coordinator (STC)	 Manage users (TA accounts) Assign student accommodations View classes Schedule test sessions Manage & monitor test sessions Prepare IT network for student testing
Test Administrator (TA)	 View students View classes View & monitor test sessions





You will log in to the portal with the username and password that are emailed to you on Thursday, February 9th.

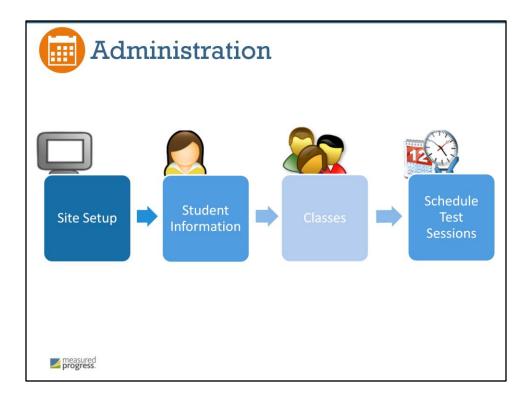
The first thing that you will want to do is update your password! To do this, navigate to the upper right corner of the page and click on your name. Then, click on My Profile followed by Edit Information. You can update your password here. Click Save Profile and your new password will be saved.

DACs are responsible for creating DU, ITC and STC accounts. To do this, you will click on the Users tab at the top of the page. The first time you log in, this table will be empty. You have a couple of options for creating new users: you can manually create a new user by clicking on the Create New User button, or you can create users in bulk using the new Import Users feature. To do this, simply click on the Import Users button. You'll select an Action – you can either Add New Users or make updates to existing users.

You can see that the template is made up of columns for Username, First Name, Last Name, Role, Org, Phone, Fax, and Address. The Phone, Fax and Address columns are not required so feel free to leave these fields blank if you don't have this information readily available to you. The Portal User Guide includes detailed steps for identifying your organization's Org number, as well as detailed steps for adding a user to multiple organizations. Once you're satisfied with your user upload file, you will save it to your

computer, then click the Choose File button. Select the file and click the "Upload" button. The system will automatically generate accounts based on the file that you uploaded and will also provide a detailed error report in the event that there is an issue with any of the accounts you are trying to create. Users will automatically receive emails from the system containing their login credentials.

Users can be exported for easy editing by selecting the user accounts from the table, and clicking the Export Users button. Edits can be made to the file, and the file can be re-uploaded so that those changes reflect in the system.



Now we are going to move on to the Administration component. The Administration component of the portal includes:

Site Setup Student data management (including uploading accommodations) Class management Test scheduling



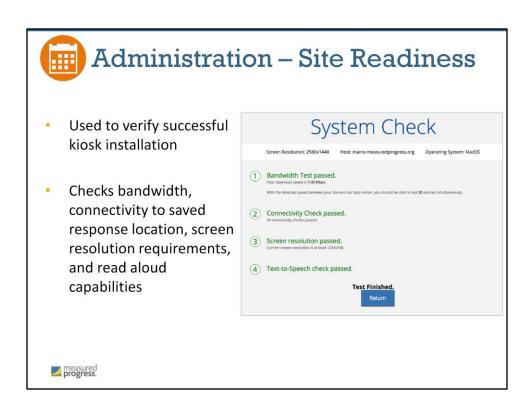
Administration – Site Setup

- Download the kiosks
- Conduct Site Readiness Testing
- Certify Site Readiness



Conducting the SRT and certifying your site as ready for testing is extremely important. Not doing so may pose a risk to your site for online testing.





The system check prompts you to enter the number of students who will be logging in to the test and clicking the Continue button simultaneously. If the number of students who need to start the test at the same exact time exceeds the number allowed by the bandwidth test, simply stagger the groups of students logging in by 40-60 seconds.



- Student Information & Enrollment Data
 - Available in portal February 10, 2017
- Student Accommodations
 - Districts/Schools responsible for assigning all accommodations to students
 - Can be assigned manually or via file upload*

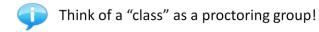
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Responsible for assigning embedded and NON-embedded accommodations.



- Classes
 - Pre-created based on student data available via Infinite Campus
 - Classes are created based on grade and content area





Nancy: If any student data is inaccurate, schools should contact MEDMS Help Desk, medms.helpdesk@maine.gov, 207-624-6896.



- Test Session Management
 - Schedule classes to test sessions
 - Print test logins with students' usernames and passwords
 - Manage and monitor test sessions
 - Test Status Export*

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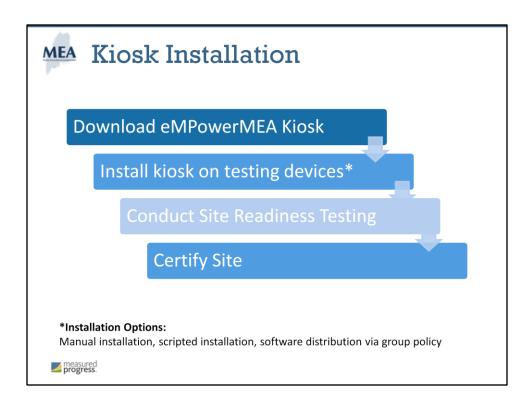


MEA MEA Kiosk Overview

- Kiosk
 - Available on Windows, Mac and Linux
- Mobile App
 - Available on iPads and Chromebooks
- Browser
 - Available on Chrome, Safari, Internet Explorer, Firefox, and Microsoft Edge



Note that the browser kiosk is ONLY available for Sample Items and the Student Tutorial.



MEA Student Device Requirements

System Requirements – All Hardware		
Connectivity	Student devices must be able to connect to the internet via wired or wireless networks	
Screen Size	9.7" screen size or larger/ "10-inch class" tablets or larger	
Screen Resolution	1024 X 768	
Browsers (Sample Items, Tutorial ONLY)	Chrome TM 55 or newer Firefox* 49 or newer Safari* 9 or newer Internet Explorer 11 Microsoft Edge	
Headphone/Earphone/Ear Buds	Headphones/earphones/ear buds are required for students who have a text-to-speech accommodation. Microphones are not required for the 2017 assessment.	



MEA Student Device Requirements

Desktop and Laptop Specific Requirements		
CPU	1.2 GHz	
Memory	2 GB	
Input Device	Keyboard – wired or wireless/Bluetooth mouse or touchpad	
Windows® operating system	Windows Vista*, 7, 8.1, and 10 (32-bit and 64-bit)	
Mac OS® operating system	10.9 – 10.12 (64-bit only)	
Linux OS	Ubuntu 14.04.5, 16.04.1 LTS (64-bit only) Fedora™ 23, 24 (64-bit only)	

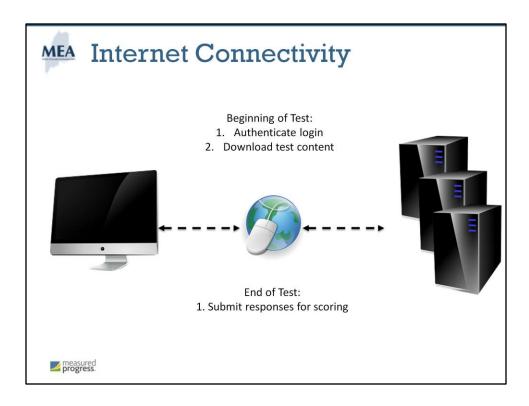


MEA Student Device Requirements

Tablet/Netbook/2-in-1 Specific Requirements		
iPad®	10.2.0-10.2.1	
Chromebook™	Chrome OS [™] 53-55	
Windows-based tablets/netbooks/2-in-1	Windows 8.1, 10 (32-bit and 64-bit)	

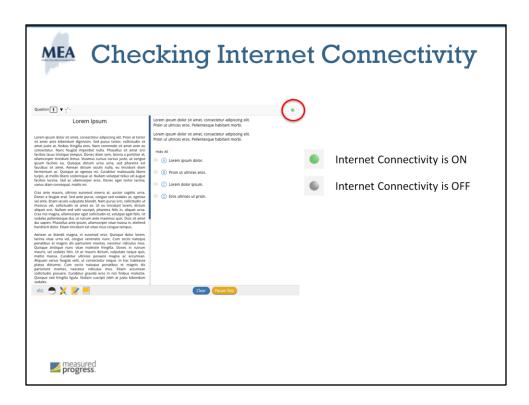
- Newer versions of ChromeOS and iOS may not function as expected with the MEA Kiosk.
- iOS 10.2.0-10.2.1 should be used for optimal AAC use.
- No requirements for local assessment servers or caching machines.
- External keyboards are optional for iPad users.



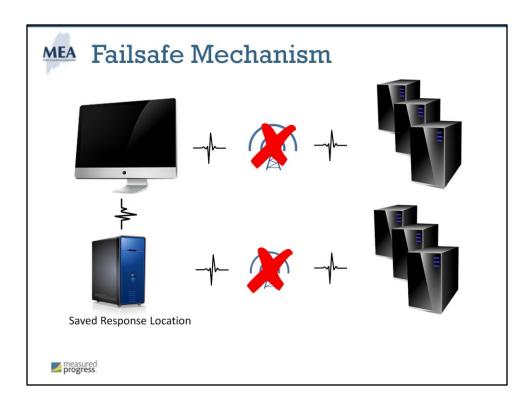


Web-based application installed on each workstation or the network that can be launched from the desktop icon

- Needs internet connection to communicate with the testing server using web technologies via HTTP and HTTPS
- Internet connectivity is required to download test content and submit responses for scoring
- If there is no internet connectivity when the students' answers are submitted, the Kiosk will store those answers (encrypted) until it is re-launched after internet connectivity is restored



Students may not notice this, but proctors should be alerted to keep an eye on this indicator.



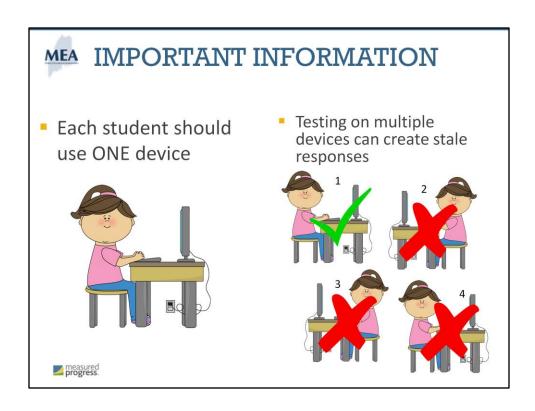
Periodic Data Syncs (Heartbeats)

- Triggered to periodically save and protect student responses
- Internet interruption during testing:

Encrypted responses saved in the location indicated during installation Responses sent to server once internet connectivity is restored

- Internet interruption at the end of testing:
 - Student will receive a warning screen to alert their proctor the responses cannot be sent
 - Proctor must re-launch the Kiosk once internet connectivity is restored to send responses

Keep in mind that if you install the saved response location on the network, the student testing device must maintain connection with the network. Otherwise, if the internet connectivity is interrupted AND the network connectivity is interrupted, the student will be unable to continue testing.



MEA CHROMEBOOK INFORMATION

- Do not turn off Chromebooks experiencing internet connectivity issues.
- Need to switch devices? Call technical support immediately:
 - **1**-855-652-8929
- MDOE is allowing the use of 360° Chromebooks as long as the students are testing in keyboard/laptop mode. Students are NOT permitted to test in tent or tablet mode.

Share this information with all IT and school personnel!



MEA Security



- RSA encrypted test content
- 128-bit SSL encrypted student data
- Kiosk-mode on all devices

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Content

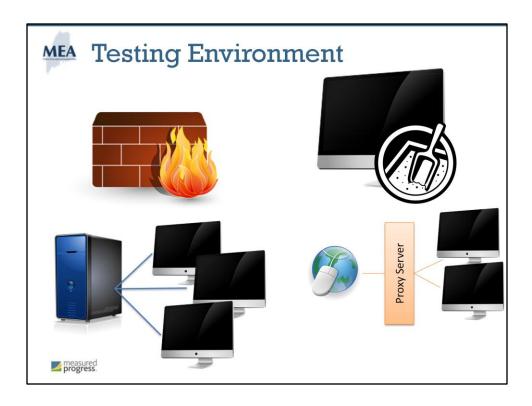
- Encrypted test content using RSA
- Remains encrypted during transmission from web server to Kiosk on student workstation
- Downloaded and decrypted upon student login
- Decrypted content is stored in memory and expires immediately after Kiosk is exited

Student Data

Uses industry standard 128-bit SSL encryption

Device Security

- Kiosk-mode restricts students from accessing other programs/applications during testing
- iPad® AAC restricts students from accessing other programs/applications during testing
- Chromebook Single App Mode restricts students from accessing other programs/applications during testing



Firewalls

Allow two-way traffic through ports 80 and 443

Proxy and content filter servers

- White list the following on ports 80 and 443:
 - ohttps://maine.measuredprogress.org
 - ohttp://maine.measuredprogress.org
 - ofonts.googleapis.com
 - othemes.googleusercontent.com
 - ogoogleusercontent.com

Sandboxing applications (i.e., Deep Freeze)

 While installing the Kiosk, choose network folder or local folder that is not touched by the sandboxing applications, both for stored responses and Kiosk installation folders

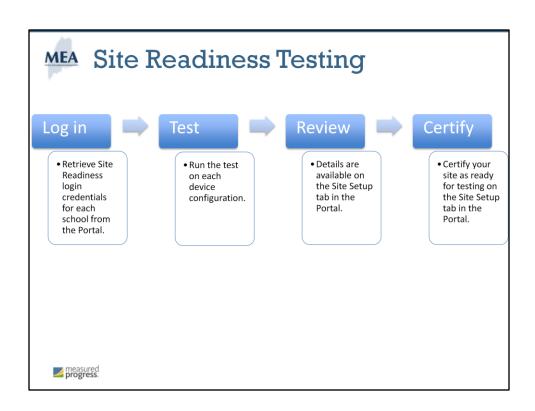
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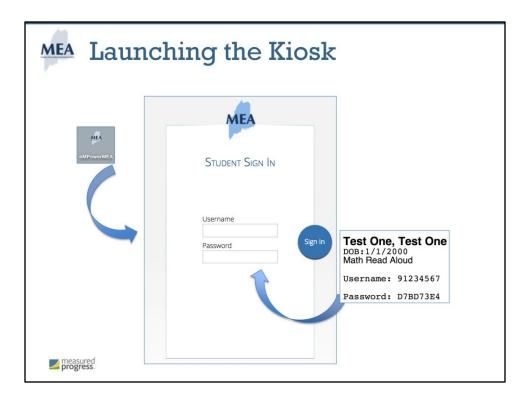
- Ensure there is enough memory, CPU, and bandwidth on the server to accommodate multiple student test sessions
- Kiosk requires a minimum of 80 MB per Kiosk session

MEA Kiosk Installation

- Download kiosk from MEA Portal
- Download apps from app stores
- Review installation guide
 - Available at maine.onlinehelp.measuredprogress.org
- Install kiosk on all testing devices
- Conduct site readiness testing on all device configurations
- Certify site ready for testing

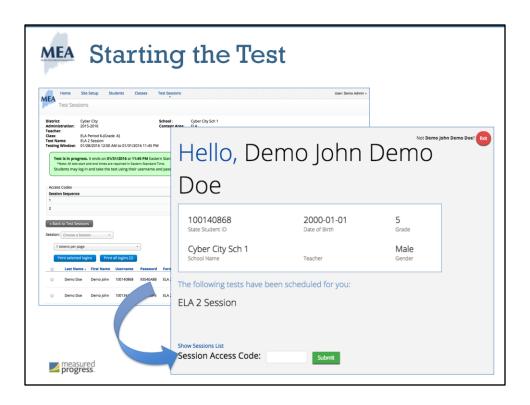






Kiosk is installed on each computer or on the network

- Students will launch the Kiosk from a desktop icon or a network folder
- Students log in using their provided usernames and passwords
- Logins provide unique access per student per test and are NOT case sensitive



Session passwords are provided to proctors to have all students enter before beginning that section of the test

MEA Universal Tools

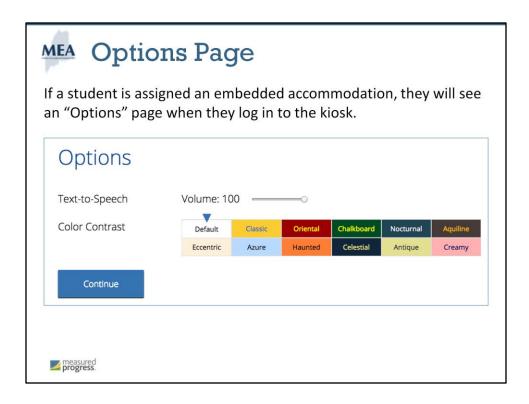
Universal Tools are available to all students on computer based tests.

Name	Tool Icon	Description
Guideline	abc	Student uses onscreen tool to assist in reading by raising and lowering tool for each line of text.
Answer Masking	Hide All	Student hides possible answer choices (multiple choice items only).
Sketch & Highlight	×	Student may draw using black, red, or blue brushes; highlight; or erase
Notepad		Student may type notes for each particular item
Screen Zoom	Screen Zoom: = Q Q	Students can zoom full screen up to 150%
Reverse Contrast		Inverts all color values.
Custom Masking		Students can mask certain parts of screen.
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MEA Accommodations

Accommodations are available to specific students.

Name	Content Area	Tool Icon	Description
Text-to-Speech Mathematics	Mathematics	Text-to-Speech	Students can play, pause, or stop audio.
Text-to-Speech Writing	Writing	Text-to-Speech	Students can play, pause, skip passage, or stop audio.
Color Contrast	All	A	Students select desired text and background color.
Turn Off All Universal Tools	All	Not Applicable	Universal Tools will not be available
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- For students with accommodations, an "Options" page will be displayed.
- Students may NOT uncheck these accommodations, but within the test itself, the usage of each of these accommodations is optional.



MEA IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Assign all text-to-speech accommodations <u>prior to</u> <u>scheduling tests</u>.
 - If a class is already scheduled, assign accommodations and click Generate Missing Student Test Logins on the Test Session Details page.

Generate Missing Student Test Logins

There are some missing student test logins in this test session. It can be because of students added to the class after creating the test session. Please use the button below to generate test logins for these students.

Generate Missing Student Test Logins

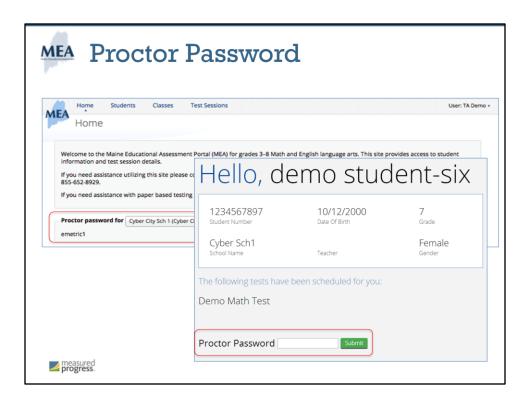
If a student logs in to the test and the text-to-speech accommodation has not already been assigned, the test must be invalidated by Maine DOE and the student must be scheduled for the test again.



MEA Text-to-Speech Voices

- The default voice set on device is the voice used for text-to-speech during testing.
- Use the sample items to let students listen to the voice.
- Review the installation guide for more info:
 - maine.onlinehelp.measuredprogress.org





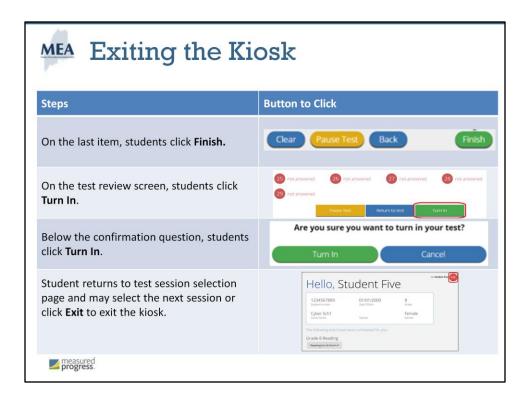
In the event that a student pauses their test for longer than 30 minutes, or is inactive within their test for longer than 60 minutes, the proctor password will be required in order for the student to continue testing. The proctor password is located at the bottom of the Administration home page. The student will log in to their test and will see this Proctor Password text box; only the test administrator should enter the password, the student should never know what the password is. Once the TA enters the proctor password, the student can click Submit and they will be able to continue testing.

MEA Passwords

Type of Password	Utilization	Entered By
Student Password*	Used to log the student into the appropriate test	Student
Session Password	Used to log the student into the appropriate session of the test	Student
Proctor Password**	Used to log the student into the appropriate session of the test if the student began the session, paused for longer than 30 minutes or is inactive for longer than 60 minutes, and needs to resume the session.	Proctor

- * Student test password is NOT case sensitive ** Proctor password <u>must</u> be kept confidential.





MEA Sample Items: Online

- Available February 20, 2017
- Use kiosk, mobile app, or browser
 - Use kiosk or mobile app if screen zoom or text-to-speech is required
 - https://maine.measuredprogress.org/student

Math Sample Items

Username: MaineMath Password: practice

ELA Sample Items

Username: MaineELA Password: practice



- Sample items <u>can</u> be taken with a browser or with the kiosk.
- If a student will need screen zoom or text-to-speech accommodations, they <u>must</u> use the kiosk.
- Students should take the sample items on the devices to be used for testing.

All accommodations are turned on for the sample items. Students should be made aware that some of the accommodations (TTS and color contrast) may not actually be made available to them in the operational test.

MEA Schedule – Mathematics, Reading, Writing & Language

Task	Date
Student data available in Portal for assigning accommodations and class creation	2/10/17
Begin Site Readiness testing and Site Certification at test sites	2/10/17*
Begin scheduling tests	3/6/17
Testing Window	3/20/17-4/14/17

^{*}It is recommended to complete Site Readiness testing **as soon as possible** in order to identify any device configuration issues.



Task Date Begin scheduling tests 4/24/17 Testing Window 5/8/17-5/19/17 ▶ Progress.

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- Help & Support Site
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